

generate attention-degree information;

a transmitting step of transmitting the attention-degree information generated in the attention-degree-information generating step;

a presenting step of presenting the information sent from the other communication devices; and

an information manipulation and distribution step of controlling the output positions of the information sent from the other communication devices according to the seating-order information received in the receiving step to output the information sent from the other communication devices in a seating order corresponding to the seating-order information.

73. A recording medium according to Claim 72, wherein, when the seating order is changed according to the seating-order information, indication information indicating a change in the seating order is output to the user in the information manipulation and distribution step.

74. A recording medium according to Claim 73, wherein the indication information is image information.

75. A recording medium according to Claim 73, wherein the indication information is audio information.

76. A recording medium according to Claim 73, wherein the indication information includes image information and audio information.

77. A recording medium according to Claim 72, wherein indication information indicating the state of grouping, which is a basis of the seating information, applied to the information sent from the other communication devices is output to the user in the information manipulation and distribution step.

78. A recording medium according to Claim 77, wherein the indication information is background image information obtained when the information sent from the other communication devices is output.

79. A recording medium according to Claim 78, wherein the background image information is generated such that information belonging to the same group has the same background color.

80. A recording medium according to Claim 72, wherein, in the attention-degree-information generating step, the attention-degree information is generated according to user-

behavior detection information or information specified by the user.

81. A recording medium according to Claim 80, wherein the user-behavior detection information includes user-sight-line detection information.

82. A recording medium according to Claim 80, wherein the user-behavior detection information includes user-face-direction detection information.

83. A recording medium for storing a processing program related to group-determination-table generation in a group-determination-table generating device for generating a group determination table used for grouping information sent from each communication device according to the degree of attention of the user of each communication device in a communication system having at least three communication devices, the processing program comprising:

a statistics step of reading attention-degree patterns indicating the degree of attention which the user of each communication device pays to information sent from other communication devices and group structure patterns indicating the group state of each user, and of collecting statistics on the attention-degree patterns and the group